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Riverside Museum Director Takes New Position at Pepperdine University

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – Riverside Museum Director Ennette Morton announced today she has been selected as the new Director of Academic Affairs at Pepperdine University Graziadio School of Business and Management effective November 19th. Her last day with Riverside is November 14. Morton has served the City of Riverside for eight years-- the last six years as Museum Director.

"Ennette Morton has been an outstanding cultural leader for Riverside" said Mayor Ron Loveridge. "We greatly appreciate her creativity, dedication and hard work."

During Morton's tenure with the City, the RMM has become an active Smithsonian Museum Affiliates member known nationwide for its annual Smithsonian Week in Riverside exhibition and events, relocated the 100,000 plus artifacts to a new secure storage facility, received grants from the National Museum of American Indian and California Humanities, and hosted numerous temporary exhibitions including the nationally acclaimed "*RACE: Are We So Different?*" In January, the City Manager expanded Morton's responsibilities to include the Arts and Cultural Affairs division which oversees the Fox Performing Arts Center/Entertainment Plaza, special events, and permits.

There will be a recruitment to find a replacement for Ms. Morton.

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